(b) if so, what are the details thereof and steps being taken in this regard, and the results thereof; and

(c) names of Institutions and Scholars associated in this scheme?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) While inaugurating a Conference on "Knowledge, representation and inference in Samskritam" sponsored by the Computer Society of India at Bangalore on December 19, 1986, the Vice-Chairman, UGC, pointed out that, according to some scientists, Sanskrit is found to be the ideal computer language; and he suggested that this deserved to be confirmed by further research.

(b) and (c) The Computer Scientists who were present at the Conference and are working in different institutions, would have taken note of the suggestion made by the Vice-Chairman, UGC. Facilities are available in many institutions established and funded by the Government to extend assistance to them in any further research they might wish to undertake on it.

Censorship of mail

2369. SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE:
SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that mail is disappearing since the date Government have declared its intention to censor it and to dispose it in a manner the authority issuing the order may direct; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) and (b) No, Sir. There is no legal provision for providing for censorship. However, the Government has powers under Section 26 of the Indian Post Office Act, 1898, to intercept postal articles for public good. On the occurrence of any public emergency, or in the interest of the public safety or transquility, the 'Central Government' or a 'State Government' or any officer specially authorised in this behalf (by the Central or the State Government), may, by order in writing, direct that any postal article or class or description of postal articles in course of transmission by post shall be intercepted or detained, or (shall be disposed of in such manner as the authority issuing the order may direct).

Waiting list for telephone in metropolitan Cities

2370. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applicants for telephone who are in the waiting list in each of the metropolitan cities as on date and by when their cases will be cleared in each city; and

(b) the progress made so far in this direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) The waiting list in each of the metropolitian cities as on 31.1.1987 is as under:—

1. Bombay	2,04,263
2. Calcutta	36,212
3. Delhi	1,72,203
4. Madras	39,898

The present waiting list is likely to be cleared progressively during 7th & 8th Plan periods subject to availability of adequate resources.

(b) The number of new telephone connections provided during 1986-87 are as given below (upto 31.1.1987).

1. Bombay	26,468
2. Calcutta	1,078
3. Delhi	37,119
4. Madras	8,100

News report captioned "In the name of the school"

2371. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether his attention has been drawn to a news report published in Daily 'Patriot' of 19th January, 1987 under the caption "In the names of a school" regarding poor class Room consider of Government Boys Middle School, Vivek Vihar, Delhi;

(b) if so, what is the Government's information in regard thereto;

(c) whether it is a fact that Parent Teacher Association of the school had submitted a memorandum and no action had been taken in the matter;

(d) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(e) what steps are being taken to improve the set up of the said school?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Out of 13 sanctioned posts of teachers, one post of TGT (General), one post of TGT (Sc.B.), one post of PET, one post of Drawing Teacher and one post of Class IV are vacant in the Govt. Boys Middle School, Vivek Vihar. The vacant posts of TGTs, PET and Drawing Teacher could not be filled up due to a court case.

(c) The Parent Teacher Association had submitted memorandum and the Directorate of Education has taken action on some demands and action on some others is being taken.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) The vacant posts are being filled up. The school is being shifted to a nearby campus where all the facilities like building, drinking water, light, ventilation, toilet and furniture are available.

Accidents by D. T. C. buses

2372. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of accidents in Delhi involving the Delhi Transport Corporation buses during the last six months;

(b) the measures being taken to improve the training and fitness of the DTC drivers; and

(c) the other measures being taken to reduce the accident cases involving DTC buses?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) There have been 2084 accidents in Delhi involving the DTC buses during the last six months.

(b) and (c) Every accident case is investigated by the investigating Committee in D.T.C. Suitable Departmental action is invariably taken against the defaulting D.T.C. drivers, besides legal action by the Police. Apart from this, training, including refresher training, enforcement of